



AUGUST 1984
ENDING OUR 66TH SEASON

MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS CLUB welcomes all radio amateurs and all persons interested in amateur radio to attend our meetings. TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN RADIO RELAY LEAGUE we extend a very special invitation - we are the oldest affiliate of your League.

MRAC REGULAR MEETING: 7:30 PM, Thursday, September 13, 1984, at the Wauwatosa Savings and Loan Building at 7500 West State Street. Hall is open at 7:00 PM for rag chewing and consultations. Plenty of free parking.

The speaker at this meeting will be Mr. John Lorbecki, Sr., K9WUF, who will discuss TEST EQUIPMENT TRICKS. He will be doing things with various pieces of test equipment that they were not originally intended for!

NEXT MRAC REGULAR MEETING: Thursday, October 11, 1984. Program to be announced in next issue of Hamateur Chatter. Watch for it.

LICENSE TRAINING CLASSES of Milwaukee Radio Amateurs Club are open to all persons interested in obtaining or up-grading an amateur radio license. You do not have to be a member of MRAC to participate. Advance registration is required and blanks are enclosed herewith. Also, each club member has at least one blank. This is your chance to get or up-grade your ticket. Classes begin on Wednesday, September 12, 1984. VOLUNTEER EXAMINERS will be giving amateur license tests for any persons enrolled in our training program, or not, and this new service is offered to non members of MRAC as well as to our members.

MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS CLUB, your club, filed with the FCC in the matter of the division of the fee (\$4, maximum) that Congress voted to allow the Volunteer Examiners and Volunteer Examiner Coordinators to collect to cover their expenses in giving the exams. Reading the Federal Register we find the Commission passed the buck on this, leaving the fair division of the fee to the VEs and VECs! The American Radio Relay League finally signed an agreement to be a VEC for all 13 areas. However, in none of the 13 areas does the League have exclusive service. In each and every one of the 13 areas there are one or more additional VECs!

We can only hope that the Volunteer Examiner program does not make another C-B mess of our hobby. Perhaps we should have left the examining to the Federal Communications Commission and allowed them to charge a suitable fee to recover costs.

IF YOU HAVE AN EXTRA CLASS LICENSE and would like to help out as a Volunteer Examiner or to help out as an instructor (a great experience), please drop a note to MILWAUKEE RADIO AMATEURS CLUB INC, N50 W16328 Pin Oak Court, Menomonee Falls, WI 53051. Please include your phone number.

MRAC MEMBERS are urged to promptly remit their dues as per the notices enclosed herewith.....